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For: **DISCONTINUOUS METERING OF CATALYSTS** )  
 **AND PROCESS AUXILIARIES INTO A** )  
 **GAS-PHASE FLUIDIZED-BED REACTOR** )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This is a preliminary amendment to LU 6098(US), filed herewith, which is the US National Phase of the International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2004/003933, filed on April 15, 2004, and claiming priority to German Patent Application 10317533.4 filed April 16, 2003, and the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/476,334, filed June 6, 2003.

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Please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent Application, as follows: